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SUBJECT : IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER VISITS BAHRAIN

1. IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER KHALATBARI VISITED BAHRAIN
DEC. 11-13. ACCORDING IRANIAN AMBASSADOR, "THERE REALLY WAS
NOTHING TO TALK ABOUT "IN SUBSTANTIVE SENSE AND VISIT, TWICE
DELAYED, WAS LARGELY OF GOOD WILL NATURE. AMIR GAVE
INFORMAL DINNER EVENING DEC 11 (MUSLIMS ONLY), PARTY SPENT
MOST OF DEC. 12 FISHING FROM AMIR'S YACHT, AND FOREIGN MINISTER
GAVE OFFICIAL DINNER EVENING DEC. 12.

2. ACCORDING ARABIC PRESS DEC. 13, BAHRAINI FONMIN SAID TWO
SIDES DID AGREE TO FORM JOINT COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC
COOPERATION, AND THAT BILATERAL RELATIONS ARE "IDEAL".
PRESS ALSO REPORTED THAT, IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS, KHALATBARI
SAID THE AID OF COOPERATION AMONG GULF STATES IS TO PREVENT
FOREIGN INTERVENTION. IN THIS REGARD, MUSCAT CONFERENCE
WAS NOT A FAILURE AND THAT BILATERAL TALKS WILL CONTINUE UNTIL
"TIME IS RIPE" FOR FURTHER MULTILATERAL STEPS. KHALATBARI
ALSO JUSTIFIED RISE IN OIL PRICE OF 15 PERCENT ALONG FAMILIAR
LINES AND SAID IN REGARD TO PRICE RISE THAT IRAN DOES NOT PAY
ATTENTION TO "THREATS FROM SOME COUNTRIES" SINCE IN WORLD
TODAY SUCH THREATS ARE NOT LOGICAL.

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